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### STRIKING THE FIRST BLOW

"HE first blow in war is the most effective, as history shows THE first blow in war is the most extended into Port Arthur Japanese war, when the sly Nipponese sneaked into Port Arthur, the chief fortified point in Manchuria, and sank at their anchorage the finest vessels of the Russian fleet. Of course it was a surprise. But the act should not have surprised any one but those whose senses were soddened with liquor. Both nations were on the verge of war and each was waiting the word to fly at the other's throat. At that critical time the Russians were banqueting, feasting and carousing with the circean queens of the Orient, and their neglect It has not been able to do that with the Irish in centuries. of duty probably cost the war that ensued, since it entailed the loss of the best ships and most of their crews before the first shot had been fired. On August 4th, 1914, when war was declared against Russia, Germany was on the way to France, ruthlessly trampling a thing as divine wrath. on the rights of Belgium in its passionate haste to reach Paris. England was not prepared. France was prepared, but the time was too short to offer an effective resistance against the legions of the kaiser that had been thrown over the Rhine in hundreds of thousands like one massive machine. This lack of preparedness cost one whole year of losses that almost terminated by landing the Teutons on the banks of the Thames. It took another year for Great Britain to collect its fighting forces from all quarters of the globe in sufficient numbers to resist the assaults of the enemy and then it required another year before these millions of newly enrolled men became ef- fornia producer who was responsible fective enough to venture on a drive against the well-seasoned and for the beautiful "Ramona", which tial bow, running ten weeks to more better trained troops of Germany. The attack launched by Ger- was given the highest award ever than 200,000 patrons many therefore, may be credited with the conquest of Belgium and bestowed by the national board of Mr. Ciune last year made arrange half of France and the acquisition of strength that prevented it of "The Clansman," (The Birth of most widely read story writer in from dislodgment until after almost three years of constant pound- a Nation), has come forward with America-his eight books having ing and the enrollment of every available munition factory in the another and greater output. world. The first gain cost the allies billions of dollars and over New Year's day in Los Angeles this copies, every one having been a best two million lives. Similar action may be expected when the die is World," broke all Pacific coast reco east between the United States and Germany. A quick, disastrous ords with an attendance of 5800 vance of an enormous public for raid on the east and west coast is not improbable and at Wash- paid admissions (the free list be- his productions. "The Eyes of the ington it is conceded in official circles that the enemy even now is ing entirely suspended) in the big World" is the first of this cinema waiting in hiding in the West Indies and along the Mexican coast Auditorium Theater, and followed series in ten reels, on the Pacific, waiting for the word to hurl itself on the United ing "The Birth of a Nation," "Ra would seem to be little doubt from States. In the meantime this country is in a hectic state trying to mona," and "Intolerance." The new the fact that "The Eyes of the accomplish in six weeks what it took Germany 40 years to do and film, "The Eyes of the World," a World" is still running in the great it is hoping against hope that such contemplated raids will not picturization of Harold Bell Wright's Los Angeles theater and bids fair bring disaster to the country before the people awaken to the fact famous California love story, which to continue far into February. Anthat an enemy versed in fighting and ruthless in war is knocking at afternoon and which will be shown launched "The Eyes of the World" their doors with a vehemence that that may shatter the skyscrap-tomorrow afternoon and night, bids on January 1st, simultaneously with ing skyline of New York and the stately buildings of Boston any fair to break all Tonopah records. | the Los Angeles premiere, broke all morning before breakfast. Each day brings the crisis nearer and It was in the Auditorium, which Arizona records for three days, and in the meantime the administration is taking the whole world into his confidence in discussions are the interest the largest theater west of Chicago, and has been seen more big turn in the latter part of the same his confidence in discussing preparations. This is the time for sup-cinema masterpleces than any other month-an honor never before acpressing much of the detail that can do no good to anyone except bouse in the country, that Griffith's corded to any film in Phoenix in the way of advising the enemy of what is going on in army and navy circles. Should Germany be permitted to deal the first blow LEAGUE TO PRESERVE to the United States, the loss of prestige to our power would be eminently worse than the siege of Paris was to France.

Can a nation which enters such a war at such a time ever raise its head and look abroad without shame if it is conscious that it hid behind the kilts of Highlanders, the blue of French infantry, and the overcoats of Russian mujiks. Nations are no better than individuals. They must retain their self respect. Loss of self respect is not merely a shock to idealism. It has material conse- States, France, Russia, Italy and the tablet commemorative of Heine, quences. If the United States, going to war, will not raise an army Japan, should be formed to guaran- has been postponed. For this action and will not fight, will not train soldiers and will not send them tee the peace of the world is the London county council, which abroad, it will be as the result of the war determines, either the sub- opinion of Baron Yoshiro Sakatani, has jurisdiction in the matter, has ordinate or ward of Great Britain or the tributary to Germany, We shall have the money; Europe will have the guns. The enemies of to Europe. The statesman develops ation comes from those who want Germany are agreed, for their individual security not to make sep- his idea in the official organ of to eradicate anything German from arate peace. If we go to war with Germany we must, for our own the Japan Peace Society, and the British memories, but those more security, enter this agreement with the entente powers. We certainly should seek a part in it. Otherwise the opposition to Germany may find means of composing difficulties, reach a peace and leave a lean, powerful and hungry nation with a great fleet and a all conflicts arising between nations instance, the following: veteran army looking across the Atlantic at a rich nation which which cannot be settled by diplo has been to careless to defend its wealth. That would be the disaster of disasters. We must learn that we can not fight a war with national court at The Hague or to if he does not treat her with speout soldiers and that, entering such a war, we cannot maintain our some other tribunal. Any nation clai tenderness, yet if need be he isolation. If we enter we are the ally of Great Britain, France, Rus. disobeying this declaration should be sia and Japan. Self respect will require that we take all material benefits from the alliance. We must give and demand. We must have soldiers and use them. We must recognize war as war and consider the consequences of defeat may be humiliation or rain. ONE MAN OF CREW are: universal military service, the dispatch of troops to Europe and an agreement with the entente allies for no separate peace.

### FIRST LINE OF DEFENCE.

DRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON has issued a stirring appeal SURVIVOR OF THE HEALDTON to the nation for recruits to bring the navy to its full quota of 87,000 men, with the object of preparing for a possible attack. No matter what Congress may decide about the army it is a foregone conclusion that the navy will be called into action first and therefore every ship owned by the United States should be brought to a the American steamer Healdton that of the water rights of all the water full state of efficiency as quickly as circumstances will permit. The capsized with 20 on board, has been users on the Humboldt river sysorder has gone forth for every ship in reserve to be fully commissioned. The order is urgent, but the enlistment, which has been very encouraging, must be vastly increased before anything like the arms had been injured and his legs application of the plaintiff. full strength of the navy can be made available. Since adjourn were frozen. After the boat capment of Congress there has been a net increase of 6500 recruits. sized the Norweglan sailor managed previous to that time a practicing The navy offers special inducements to young men of stuff and ambition to serve in the first line of national defense, and those who trawler. have a liking for the sea cannot find any better field for the employment of their talents. The modern navy is the home of arts and science. Every member of the crew of a battleship or cruiser is a tradesman of some sort and the opportunities for electricians, machinists, blacksmiths, sheet iron workers and other crafts, are auditor of Humboldt county, and notes - Lovelock Review-Miner.

better than ashore, with prospect for rapid advancement during active service.

ENGLAND'S TWO FAILURES.

REAT BRITAIN has had two complete failures in handling U overseas territory. One was in the case of the American colonies, and the result is the United States. The other is in the case of Ireland, and the sad result is still Ireland. Elsewhere the British have shown the greatest colonial genius the world has ever seeen. Their American colonial mistake found a quick issue, circumstances resulted in a new nation. Their Irish mistake seems to have the eternity of an enduring malignity. They seem unable to escape from the consequences of sin as much as the Irish seem unable to escape from the consequences of being sinned against. A tradition of error, of bitterness, misjudgment and miscalculation sits in control of English and Irish destinies. It makes the complexities more complex It sets passion at work, when level headedness might soon accomplish results. The English, willing to do justice to the Irish, cannot find a way to do it. The Irish, passionate for their independence, cannot find a way to accept what the blundering English offer them. Ulster is not a complete explanation of this failure. More difficult issues than the Ulster issue have been removed in the world's progress toward self government. Religious toleration, equity in taxation, and individual rights can be maintained in a bill of rights which readily reconciles the people to a government conducted with respect for these rights. Ireland is to the English a traditional error. It is to the Irish a traditional martyrdom, Neither the Irish nor the English seem able to break away from their inheritance Great Britain can make friends of the South Africans in ten years

Indiana is having more than its share of trouble. With two cy clones and a score or more of distinguished politicians under jail sentence for fraudulent voting, it looks as though there were such

Manhattan and Gett. Wonder if Manhattan has taken the Kaiser's partner?

new production. "The Eyes of the seller-to film this writer's stories.

the eating, W. H. Clune, the Cali- Spoilers" was first thrown upon the screen, and "Ramona" made its ini-

On reached a sale of more than 8,000,000

# PEACE OF THE WORLD

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, Mar. 26.-That a league in American Peace Society of Japan. The powers named, he declares,

considered as unjust and be punish

DISCOVERED BY TRAWLER BADLY INJURED

By Associated Press.) LONDON, Mar. 24 .- The boat from wegian, was found in the boat. His mained there until rescued by the

MUST DECIPHER NOTES TAKEN FORTY YEARS AGO

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Mar. 26.-The proposal cluding Great Britain, the United to remove from his former residence who recently returned from the Unit- been praised in some quarters and tolerant call attention to the fact that it was from London that Heine should combine their armies and wrote some sentences they aver as

"An Englishman loves freedom as matic means, should be submitted he loves his lawfully wedded wife; for judicial settlement to the inter- he regards her as a possession, and, man loves freedom as he loves his chosen bride: he will commit a thousand follies for her sake. A German loves freedom as he loves his old grandmother."

> WATER RIGTHS ON THE HUMBOLDT RIVER

Litigation that involves practically all the ranchers along the Humboldt river and its tributaries was started yesterday in the district court when Peter Anker, a well-known rancher of Lovelock valley, brought suit against A. J. Aloes, et al, defendants, says the Humboldt Star, The suit is for the general adjudication taken into Ymuiden. Holland, by a tem and including the Little Humsteam trawler. One survivor, a Nor- boldt river. There are about 350 parties named as defendants on the

to right it and to climb in and re- attorney, has just had the unusual experienced of being called upon to transcribe some testimony which he took as a shorthand reporter forty years ago. Shorthand has changed so much in the past forty years it is not believed that any of the more S. J. Bonnifield, for many years modern reporters could decipher the

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